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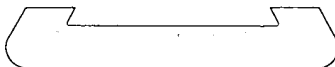
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**POSSIBLE H-II SSBN DISMANTLEMENT
PETROPAVLOVSK KAMCHATSKIY SHIPYARD AND NAVAL BASE
SELDEVAYA, USSR**

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1. (SWN) SIGNIFICANCE: THE POSSIBLE DISMANTLEMENT OF A H-II NUCLEAR-POWERED BALLISTIC MISSILE SUBMARINE (SSBN) MAY BE UNDERWAY. IF THIS UNIT IS DISMANTLED, IT COULD, ALONG WITH THE DISMANTLEMENT OF THREE LAUNCHERS FROM ANOTHER H-II SSBN AND 16 MORE LAUNCHERS FROM A Y SSBN, ACCOUNT FOR 22 SLBM LAUNCHERS. THE DISMANTLEMENT OF THESE 22 SLBM LAUNCHERS WOULD ALLOW THE USSR ANOTHER TYPHOON SSBN AND REMAIN IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE SALT INTERIM AGREEMENTS.

2. (SWN) REMARKS: ALL THREE SS-N-5 SUBMARINE-LAUNCHED BALLISTIC MISSILE (SLBM) TUBE DOOR ASSEMBLIES HAVE BEEN REMOVED FROM THE MISSILE COMPARTMENT SUPERSTRUCTURE, LOCATED IN THE SUBMARINE SAIL. THESE ASSEMBLIES WERE REMOVED BETWEEN [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] AT LEAST TWO OF THE REMOVED TUBE DOOR ASSEMBLIES WERE PROBABLY ON THE QUAY, NEXT TO THE H-II SSBN, ON [REDACTED] IN ADDITION, SUPERSTRUCTURE PLATING HAS BEEN REMOVED FROM AT LEAST THE PORT SIDE OF THE MISSILE COMPARTMENT AND ALL THREE MISSILE TUBES ARE VISIBLE DOWN TO HULL LEVEL. THE PLATING HAD BEEN REMOVED AND WAS ON THE QUAY BY [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] ALTHOUGH THE REMOVAL OF THE TUBE DOOR ASSEMBLIES AND PLATING MAY PRESAGE MISSILE TUBE REMOVAL/DISMANTLEMENT, ALL THREE MISSILE TUBES APPEAR TO BE INTACT AT THIS TIME.

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(SWN) PREPARATIONS HAVE RECENTLY BEEN OBSERVED AT SEVERODVINSK SHIPYARD 402 [REDACTED] FOR THE POSSIBLE LAUNCH OF THE SECOND TYPHOON SSBN WHICH IS ARMED WITH 20 SS-NX-20 SLBM LAUNCHERS. COLLATERAL SOURCES INDICATE THAT THE SOVIETS INTEND TO DISMANTLE SIX SALT-RELATED SLBM LAUNCHERS IN THE NEAR FUTURE. THIS H-II SSBN COULD BE THE FIRST UNIT OF THAT CLASS TO BE DISMANTLED IN THE SOVIET PACIFIC FLEET.

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3. [REDACTED] COORDINATES 52-53-58N 158-26-01E

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